MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): On about 27-6-1929.

MR. R. RAMAN PILLAI (*Kottayam*): പോളിസുകമ്മീഷണരുടെ യിൽ എപ്പോഴാണ് കിട്ടിയതു?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): 19-7-1929.

Restoration and repair of Irrigation Tanks in the Trivandrum Taluk in 1104.

176. MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of irrigation tanks restored or repaired in the year 1104 in the Trivandrum taluk;

(*b*) whether these works were begun and completed between the monsoons;

(*c*) the time taken up for the restoration or repair of each of these tanks;

(*d*) whether the ryots who contribute half the cost of these works were satisfied that these works were satisfactorily executed;

(*e*) whether the completion certificates were attested by any of the interested ryots; and

(*f*) to whom these restored or repaired tanks were handed over?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Six.

(*b*) The works were commenced during 1103 before the South-west monsoon and completed in 1104 before the North-east monsoon.

(*c*) About 10 months.

(*d*) No complaints have been made so far and it is presumed that the ryots were satisfied.

(*e*) No, it is not obligatory.

(*f*) Of the six tanks, five have been handed over to the ryots concerned and the sixth is a major work.

Grazing blocks in the Trivandrum and Neduvangad Taluks.

177. MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have enquired into the circumstances that led to the whole extent of land set apart for grazing being assigned or leased in the Trivandrum taluk; and

(*b*) whether they have taken any action on the conduct of the Revenue subordinates permitting the unauthorised occupation of grazing blocks in the Neduvangad taluk?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) No lands were set apart in the Trivandrum taluk for grazing purposes. The question of their subsequent assignment or lease does not therefore arise.

(*b*) As regards the grazing lands in the Neduvangad taluk, the present grazing blocks were constituted as such at the time of the re-survey of the Neduvangad taluk about 11 years ago. These blocks were

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formed at that time without due regard to actualities. There were several occupations and improvements of considerably older dates within the areas constituted as such blocks and no efforts were made by the resurvey party to regularise them. When such occupations were discovered at a later stage by the Revenue subordinates, *poramboke* cases were taken up against the occupants, and in the course of the enquiry, it was found that indiscriminate eviction in such cases would lead to serious hardship. In the cases, therefore, in which there were *bona fide* and valuable improvements traceable to a period prior to resurvey, the department generally leased the areas on *kuttakapattam*, while in the remaining cases eviction was rigorously enforced. In the circumstances, the conduct of the Revenue Officers was not open to objection.

Karivu Remissions in the Trivandrum and Southern taluks.

178. **MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI** (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the total amount of *karivu* remissions granted in the Trivandrum taluk during the years 1103 and 1104;

(*b*) the amount of such remissions granted in each of the Southern taluks served by the Kodayar Irrigation Works during the same period; and

(*c*) the amount of water cess remitted in each of those taluks during these years?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*), (*b*) and (*c*) A statement* containing the required information is laid on the table.

Surprise visits of the Director of Public Instruction.

179. **MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI** (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of surprise visits paid to educational institutions by the Director of Public Instruction in the years 1102, 1103 and 1104; and

(*b*) in how many instances have irregularities been discovered and punished during these visits of inspection?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*)

Year.	*Name of Director.*	*No. of surprise visits.*
1102	Mr. J. Stephenson	78
1103	Do. (during 8½ months)	61
1103	Rao Bahadur K. V. Rangaswami Aiyangar (during 3 months)	72
1104	Do. (till 8-12-1104)	304

(*b*) It is reported that it is not possible without perusing a huge number of files to say whether in 1102 and 1103 action has been taken

* *Vide* Appendix XXVIII—page 560.

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